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Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

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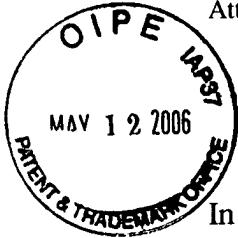
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AMENDMENT and INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Dear Examiner:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 14, 2006 and the Interview Summary mailed April 24, 2006. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter this Preliminary Amendment and consider the following remarks.

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